

NATURAL RESOURCE COMMISSION[571]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code subsection 455A.5(6), the Natural Resource Commission hereby amends Chapter 108, “Mink, Muskrat, Raccoon, Badger, Opossum, Weasel, Striped Skunk, Fox (Red and Gray), Beaver, Coyote, River Otter, Bobcat, Gray (Timber) Wolf and Spotted Skunk Seasons,” Iowa Administrative Code.

Chapter 108 sets the season dates, bag limits, possession limits and areas open to hunting or trapping furbearers.

These amendments change the ending date for the unrestricted taking of muskrats from April 15 to April 1 and add natural resource biologists and county conservation board directors to the list of officials who may permit trappers to disturb muskrat houses on state or county game management areas. The amendment clarifies that persons displaying either bobcats or otters as taxidermy mounts must keep the CITES tag in their possession.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on April 8, 2009, as **ARC 7691B**. A public hearing was held on April 29, 2009. No comments were received. No changes have been made to the Notice of Intended Action.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 481A.6, 481A.38, 481A.39, 481A.87, and 481A.90.

These amendments shall become effective August 5, 2009.

EDITOR’S NOTE: Pursuant to recommendation of the Administrative Rules Review Committee published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin, September 10, 1986, the text of these amendments [108.1, 108.7(6)] is being omitted. These amendments are identical to those published under Notice as **ARC 7691B**, IAB 4/8/09.

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